



You are invited to join representatives from USDA Rural Development for a Stakeholders Listening Session to develop a coordinated strategy to help rural community and technical colleges expand economic opportunities for rural residents. We are interested in your thoughts and suggestions on how USDA can help community and technical colleges better utilize the Department's loan and grant programs. This Listening Session will be the start of an ongoing conversation with you. The details are below.

Event: Community Colleges and Technical Colleges Stakeholders Listening Session

Date: October 9, 2014

Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm EST

Where: Jamie L. Whitten Building, Room 104-A
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Independence Ave. SW
Washington, DC 20250

We can accommodate call-in attendees; please RSVP to receive the call-in number.

ENTRANCE: Jefferson Drive side of the Whitten Building facing The National Mall

Please **RSVP by 5pm October 8, 2014**. Please email your RSVP to michelle.wert@wdc.usda.gov. Please indicate in your RSVP if you require a call-in number.

Because of security procedures, for those coming in person, we request that you check in with security at the Jefferson Drive entrance of the Whitten Building by 1:45pm. Please present a valid form of identification. Street parking is very limited. The closest Metro station is Smithsonian.

If you have any questions, please email dexter.pearson@wdc.usda.gov.

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